

The Board of County Commissioners Of Riley County, Kansas

The Regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners met at the Riley County Plaza East Building February 10, 2014 with the following members present: Robert Boyd, Chair; Ron Wells, Vice Chair; Dave Lewis, Member; and Rich Vargo, County Clerk.

8:30 Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment, Commission Comments, & Business Meeting

Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; Julie Winter, Public Works Office Manager; Bob Isaac, Planner; and Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer, attended.

Lewis moved to approve the minutes of February 6, 2014 as amended. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

8:55 Rich Vargo, County Clerk

Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Bob Isaac, Planner, attended.

Vargo presented year to date budget and expenditure reports.

9:08 Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk

Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; Shannon Wertzberger, Administrative Analyst; Kristina Jackson, Manhattan Mercury; Greg Lund, Parks Manager; and Bob Isaac, Planner, attended.

Volanti showed the Board the new HRePartners application process.

9:30 Press Conference

Greg Lund, Parks Manager; Eileen King, Treasurer; Greg McClure, County Extension Agent; Gregg Eyestone, County Extension Agent; Brenda Nickel, Health Department Director; Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Kristina Jackson, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Rick Petrie, Disc Fanatics of Kansas, attended.

Lund introduced Rick Petrie of Disc Fanatics of Kansas.

Petrie discussed the Fairmont Park disc golf project and expansion.

Petrie reported on February 22, 2014 the “ICE Bowl” will be held. Petrie said from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. will be a meet and greet with the ribbon cutting being held at 11:30 a.m. and tournament beginning at 12:00 (noon).

Boyd presented Dave Schoneweis a Certificate for 17 Years of Appreciation on the Riley County Parks Board.

Schoneweis stated the Riley County parks system is one of the best kept secrets in Riley County.

King discussed the new commercial vehicle system.

McClure reported an Estate/Succession Planning Workshop will be held on March 1, 2014 at St. Columbkille Church Hall in Blaine, Kansas.

Eyestone said Landscape Design class will be held on Wednesdays starting February 12, 2014 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Eyestone reported the Garden Show will be February 22, 2014 and February 23, 2014.

Nickel stated the Riley County Board of Health Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. Monday, February 24, 2014 at the Riley County Commission Chambers.

Hobson stated the Annual Township Officers Meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at Pottorf Hall.

Hobson said a University Park informational meeting on the sewer line project will be held Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Randolph Senior Center.

Hobson discussed Riley County's snow removal process.

Hobson stated the total cost of the snow storms in 2014 to date is \$336,000.

Boyd said Riley County Offices will be closed Monday, February 17, 2014 in observance of Presidents' Day.

10:10 Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer

Alvin Perez, Public Works Operations/Fleet Manager; Brenda Nickel, Health Department Director; Kristina Jackson, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

Hobson discussed his recommendation on motor grader purchases. Hobson said using the cost per hour, the outright purchase of a motor grader with a 10-year buy back is the most favorable method when looking at a life cycle of 10 plus years. However, it requires a large initial investment. The next best option appears to be the 10-year lease with buyback. This method requires interest be paid, but the annual payment is within the budgeted amount.

Hobson said staff recommends Riley County purchase the three motor graders from Foley Equipment outright for a total price of \$660,000 if funds are available. If funding is not available, staff recommends leasing the three motor graders from Foley Equipment for a period of 10-years with a guaranteed buy back.

The Board agreed by consensus with the recommendation to purchase Caterpillar motor graders.

The Board asked staff to get the financial numbers if Riley County financed the purchase through temporary financing.

Hobson discussed Public Works projects.

10:25 Brenda Nickel, Health Department Director

Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Kristina Jackson, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

Nickel presented the key stakeholders invitation to the Riley County Board of Health meeting.

10:30 Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

- **Administrative Work Session**

Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Brenda Nickel, Health Department Director; Kristina Jackson, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Barry Wilkerson, County Attorney, attended.

Holeman discussed legislation.

Wilkerson discussed SB256 and HB2562.

Boyd left the meeting.

10:52 Cheryl Collins, Museum Director

Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Kristina Jackson, Manhattan Mercury; and Laura Monsanto, KMAN, attended.

C. Collins presented a Museum staff update.

Lewis moved to adjourn after the County Officials Luncheon. Wells seconded. Carried 2-0.

12:00 Bob Boyd returned to the meeting.

12:00 County Officials Luncheon